

*Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring), That the Congress—*

(1) urges the President to seek a global consensus supporting—

(A) a permanent international ban on tariffs on electronic commerce; and

(B) an international ban on bit, multiple, and discriminatory taxation of electronic commerce and the Internet;

(2) urges the President to instruct the United States delegation to the November 1999 World Trade Organization ministerial meeting in Seattle, Washington to seek to make permanent and binding the moratorium on tariffs on electronic transmissions adopted by the World Trade Organization in May 1998;

(3) urges the President to seek adoption by the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development, and implementation by the group's 29 member countries, of an international ban on bit, multiple, and discriminatory taxation of electronic commerce and the Internet; and

(4) urges the President to oppose any proposal by any country, the United Nations, or any other multilateral organization to establish a "bit tax" on electronic transmissions.

Agreed to November 19, 1999.

## AIR NATIONAL GUARD'S 109TH AIRLIFT WING— SOUTH POLE RESCUE MISSION

Nov. 19, 1999  
[H. Con. Res. 205]

Whereas the 109th Airlift Wing of the Air National Guard is based at Stratton Air National Guard Base in Glensville, New York;

Whereas the 109th was called upon by the United States Antarctic Program to undertake a medical evacuation mission to the South Pole to rescue Dr. Jerri Nielsen, a physician who diagnosed herself with breast cancer;

Whereas the 109th is the only unit in the world trained and equipped to attempt such a mission;

Whereas the 10 crew members were pilot Maj. George R. McAllister Jr., senior mission commander Col. Marion G. Pritchard, co-pilot Maj. David Koltermann, navigator Lt. Col. Bryan M. Fennessy, engineer Ch. M. Sgt. Michael T. Cristiano, loadmasters Sr. M. Sgt. Kurt A. Garrison and T. Sgt. David M. Vesper, flight nurse Maj. Kimberly Terpening, and medical technicians Ch. M. Sgt. Michael Casatelli and M. Sgt. Kelly McDowell;

Whereas the crew departed Stratton Air Base for McMurdo Station in Antarctica via Christchurch, New Zealand, on October 6, 1999;

Whereas on October 15, 1999, Aircraft No. 096 departed McMurdo for the South Pole, where the temperature was approximately -53 degrees Celsius;

Whereas Major McAllister piloted a 130,000 pound LC-130 Hercules cargo plane equipped with Teflon-coated skis to a safe landing on an icy runway with visibility barely above minimums established for safe operations;

Whereas less than 25 minutes later, following an emotional goodbye and brief medical evaluation, Dr. Nielsen and the crew headed back to McMurdo Station;

Whereas the mission lasted 9 days and covered 11,410 nautical miles; and

Whereas Major McAllister became the first person ever to land on a polar ice cap at this time of year: Now, therefore, be it

*Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring),* That Congress recognizes and honors the crew of the Air National Guard's 109th Airlift Wing for its heroic efforts in rescuing Dr. Jerri Nielsen from the South Pole.

Agreed to November 19, 1999.

Nov. 19, 1999  
[H. Con. Res. 236]

## ENROLLMENT CORRECTION—H.R. 1180

*Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring),* That, in the enrollment of the bill (H.R. 1180), to amend the Social Security Act to expand the availability of health care coverage for working individuals with disabilities, to establish a Ticket to Work and Self-Sufficiency Program in the Social Security Administration to provide such individuals with meaningful opportunities to work, and for other purposes, the Clerk of the House of Representatives shall make the following correction: Strike section 408 and insert the following:

### “SEC. 408. CLIMATE DATABASE MODERNIZATION.

“Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration shall initiate a new competitive contract procurement for its multi-year program for key entry of valuable climate records, archive services, and database development in accordance with existing Federal procurement laws and regulations.”.

Agreed to November 19, 1999.

Nov. 19, 1999  
[H. Con. Res. 239]

## ENROLLMENT CORRECTION—H.R. 3194

*Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring),* That in the enrollment of the bill (H.R. 3194), making appropriations for the government of the District of Columbia and other activities chargeable in whole or in part against revenues of said District for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000, and for other purposes, the Clerk of the House of Representatives shall insert before the comma at the end of section 1000(a)(7) of division B the following: “, except that subsection (c) of section 912 of H.R. 3427 shall be deemed to read as follows:

### “(c) ADVANCE CONGRESSIONAL NOTIFICATION.—

“(1) FISCAL YEAR 1998.—Funds made available pursuant to section 911(a)(1) may be obligated and expended beginning on or after December 15, 1999, provided that the appropriate